Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Jerry J. Swartz's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize the patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Jerry Swartz devoted more than 24 years of his life to the service of this state and country as a leader in engineering, including service in Iraq and many state activations in support of fire-fighting operations and blizzards, and on the Marksmanship team displaying good sportsmanship and a competitive spirit; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Sergeant First Class Swartz continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Sergeant First Class Jerry J. Swartz for more than 24 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this state and country:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 25, 2007, as

SERGEANT FIRST CLASS JERRY J. SWARTZ DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirteenth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State